

Factsheet Five #27, August 1988

-WRESTLING OBSERVER NEWSLETTER 4/25/88-7/18/88 (\$5/4 issues from Dave Meltzer, PO Box 1228, Campbell, CA 95009-1228): A weekly gossip and news sheet about all the different pro wrestling circuits out there, from coast to coast and over to Japan. The 5/9 issue has some fascinating stuff on Bruno Sammartino, a wrestler from the 50's. 5/30 he broke the story about the sale of the Crockett wrestling organization. Dave obviously knows his stuff and manages to make it interesting even to folks who rarely if ever watch wrestling, like me. (S-IOr)

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OTHER PUBLICATIONS

**Japanese Wrestling Journal, Masayuki Osada, editor, 16-6 Siba 2 Chome, Kawaguchi, Saitama 333 JAPAN. This publication is normally around 20 pages with detailed results of all major cards in Japan, results from most cards of the three men's groups (women's wrestling isn't covered here) and news items. Comes out about every six weeks. \$4 per issue. Extremely good, especially when you consider Masayuki writes this in English and the writing is better and clearer than most U.S. newsletters.

**Global Wrestling, Tom Burke, editor, 31 Groveland St., Springfield, MA 01108. Monthly publication, eight pages of world-wide results, some clippings and about a page of news and nostalgia. This is the longest running and oldest newsletter around, having been around for more than 14 years. \$1.50 per issue.

**Arena Report, Ron Lemieux, editor, 205 Vernon Ave. #187, Vernon, CT 06066. A few pages with detailed reports on live shows Ron attends. Comes out the day after Ron attends shows, generally twice a month. Also some news notes added on goings on around the country. 50 cents per issue.

**Angle, Bill Kunkel, editor, 89-06 Woodhaven Blvd., Woodhaven, NY 11421. Cartoon and comic strip publication for the present although that is expected to change.

**Factsheet Five, 6 Arizona Ave., Rensselaer, NY 12144. This is not a wrestling publication but a 100 page quarterly fanzine which reviews books, newsletters, records, etc.

**Squared Circle, Jammie Ward, editor, 2824 Quaint St., Secane, PA 19018. Comes out about every month with results of cards around the country and some news comments as well. Can't beat the price as it is free to all those who correspond.

**Wrestling Watch, P.O. Box 515, Glenn Dale, MD 20769. Seven pages with news and results from the U.S. \$1.60 per issue. Comes out monthly.

**Richmond Wrestling Report, David Leehy, editor, 5306 Chesswood Dr., Richmond, VA 23237. News and results on the Virginia Wrestling Association, an independent which Leehy promotes, plus results of NWA shows in Richmond and Norfolk. Comes out monthly. Send an SASE for more info.

**Ringside Reflector, J.D. McKay, editor, Route 2 Box 291, Louisville, MS 39339. Opinion newsletter with opinions on wrestling from a variety of readers and reporters. One of the better newsletters around. Comes out monthly, around 20 pages. \$2 per issue.

**Wrestling Torch, Wade Keller, editor, P.O. Box 201844, Minneapolis, MN 55420. Bi-weekly eight page newsletter which includes a 31/2x5 color photo with each issue. News, columns (including Mr. Mike) and ratings each time out. \$1.25 per issue. He has a tremendous publication for \$7.50 that was published this summer which is highly recommended for those of you who haven't ordered it yet.

**Chokehold, Lance Levine, editor, 190 Grove Ave. #D, Des Plaines, IL 60016. About a six pager which comes out every so often. Newsletter's is strictly Lance writing about everything under the sun, and sometimes not even wrestling, but it's a good read. 50 cents

**Matwatch, Steve Beverly, editor, 213 Pine Hills Ave., Auburn, AL 36830. Weekly 4-6 pager crammed full of the most up-to-date news and reviews of different TV shows. Very good. \$5 for eight issues.

**Wrestling Forum, Jon Gallagher, editor, P.O. Box 65, Knoxville, IL 61448. Bi-weekly about 24-28 pages of half-sized pages filled with news and views from around the U.S. wrestling scene. Entertaining reading. \$1.50 per issue. Jon also heads the UAWF, which organizes annual wrestling fan conventions.

**Pro Wrestling Digest, Dennis Brent, editor, 4951 Airport Pkwy 4700, Dallas, TX 75248. 40 page monthly magazine in digest form, formerly was the official magazine of the UWF, then the NWA. Covers much of the U.S. scene with focus on wrestlers who worked the UWF before its demise. \$3 per issue.

**Ring Around the Northwest, Mike Rodgers, 870 Fifth Ave., Seaside, OR 97138. 3-5 page monthly covering the Pacific Northwest with results and news. One of the longer running publications around. 50 cents per issue.

**Wrestling Report, Greg Oliver, editor, 15 Penrose Ave., Kitchener, ONT N2A 1E9 Canada. Monthly publication, covers most of the wrestling on the continent but would like to specialize in Canadian news. \$1 per issue

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Factsheet Five #29, February 1989

-•The Women's Amateur Wrestling Association of Howell (PO Box 18, Howell, NJ 07731) sells photos of young women wrestling, boxing, and otherwise fighting. I've seen some of their stuff and would class it as light cheesecake. \$2 will get you on their mailing list.

-CHOKEHOLD #5-7 (50* from Lance LeVine, 190 Grove Ave., Des Plaines, IL 60016): Quick and dirty wrestling coverage from a guy who's main qualification is being a rabid fan of the sport. #5 reports on the first convention of the United Association of Wrestling Fans and prints an interview with Eddie Gilbert. #7 includes a backstage look at SuperClash III and a top-ten list of the women of wrestling, whether athletic or decorative. (S-10)

-PLAIN BROWN WRAPPER #3 (\$4 from Richard Freeman, 130 W. Limestone, Yellow Springs, OH 45387): A thick looseleaf sheaf of miscellaneous writing. This includes diary entries from Richard, poetry and short stories from a bunch of other folks, wrestling reports, a serialized novel, and collages of the news that masquerade as "Snydergrams". It's a wild mix of stuff, selected as much for its lack of tradition as anything else. (S-100)

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Factsheet Five #30, May 1989

-•The Women's Amateur Wrestling Association of Howell (Kirk Gilfallen, PO Box 18, Howell, NJ 07731) is branching out from cheesecake and topless shots of wrestling and boxing women to BAD shots and VHS tapes as well. To get on their mailing list send \$2.

-CHOKEHOLD #8 (50\* from Lance LeVine, 3113 S. Parnell, Chicago, IL 60616): A lighthearted wrestling newsletter that's out more to have fun than bring out the latest news. #8 features the results of their rather frivolous year-end poll. In #9 Lance reports an encounter with a wrestler who doesn't like his writing; however, he survived to tell of this. (S-10)

-THE LEIGHTON MOVE #2-3 (\$1 from Rodney Leighton, RR #3, Pugwash, NS BOK 1L0, CANADA): An informal and personal wrestling newsletter, being in the main Rodney's responses to other publications in

the field and evaluations of the matches he's seen. #3 contains reviews of a bunch of wrestling videos. It's backed by THE LEIGHTON LOOK, a review sheet for periodicals and anything else interesting he gets in the mail. (S-10)

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Factsheet Five #33, December 1989

-ARENA REPORT Vol. II #2-4 (\$1 from Ron Lemieux, 370 Lake Tahoe Ct. #102, Altamonte Springs, FL 32701): A wrestling newsletter which basically depends on printing the results of matches with some bare bones commentary. There's also a short letters column and some news on wrestling in Florida. (S-7)

-THE CANADIAN WRESTLING REPORT Vol. 5 #2 (\$1 from Greg Oliver, 15 Penrose Ave., Kitchener, ONT, N2A 1E9, CANADA): This northern wrestling report is still concentrated on the American scene, but it has some promise. It's graphic design is well-done, but held back by the dot-matrix printing. The editor tends to be pretty opinionated about the various promotions, and the viewpoint is his unmarred by letters. Plenty of gossip to boot. (S-6)

-CHOKEHOLD #15 (\$1 from Lance LeVine, 3113 S. Parnell, Chicago, IL 60616): A wrestling newsletter which isn't afraid to say nasty things about some of the other wrestling newsletters, though that certainly isn't the main topic here. The major subject in #15 is the firing of Paul E. Dangerously from the NWA, with Lance's thoughts on what it means for the company. There's also a batch of reader letters and a few other odds and ends. (S-8)

-COMBAT SPORTS #117 (\$2 from PO Box 651, Grade Stn., New York, NY 10028-0011): A long-running sports fanzine which these days focuses on wrestling and roller derby (the new improved version, with the figure-8 track and the jump). There's a mix of gossip, hard news, and sales pitches for everything from videos to "action figure" (we used to call them dolls) trading here. Editor Michael O'Hara also puts out the one-page COMBAT SPORTS*GRAM of late breaking news, of which you can get a free sample issue. (S-16)

-THE LEIGHTON LOOK Sept.-Oct. 1989 (\$1 from Rodney Leighton, RR#3, Pugwash, NS, B0K 1L0, CANADA): This one is a combination of wrestling and reviews—of all sorts of things, whatever Rodney gets in the mail. He's particularly into promoting interchange between people who mail junk back and forth, sort of like the FF Zine Exchange on a decentralized scale. He'll also review anything, and catches a few that fall through the cracks here.

Plus he talks about wrestling, which may or may not be a bonus, depending on your point of view. (S-10)

-TAPE UPDATE #11-12 (50¢ from Brian Tramel, 1806 Self Cir. #B, Jonesboro, AR 72401): Brian is apparently a wrestling fan, for the primary purpose of this zine is to make available videotaped wrestling matches for about \$10 a throw. He's got hundreds in stock, and is adding more all the time. Besides descriptions of tapes he publishes zine reviews and a bit of wrestling news. (M-12r)

-THUNDER SLAM Vol. 1 #1 (SASE from Nonoxynol-9, PO Box 7792, Rego Park, NY 11374): A new wrestling newsletter, formerly WWF SOCIETY The main article in this issue is a match-by-match description of Summer Slam '89. They also feature comics and drawings of various wrestlers. (D-8r)

-WRESTLING OBSERVER NEWSLETTER 9/25/89-11/20/89 (\$5/4 issues from PO Box 1228, Campbell, CA 95009-1228): Timely fine-print news from the world of pro wrestling (and occasionally other places; the 10/2 issue has editor Dave Meltzer's guesses about the fate of the new roller derby). 10/23 leads off with the stabbing of Japanese wrestler-turned-politician Inoki and moves into a play-by-play of the first Saturday Main Event of the new season. 10/30 reports on the effect of the earthquake on the wrestling world-and on the editor, who lives 15 miles from the epicenter. (S-8r)

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Factsheet Five 33, April 1990

-•The Tape Update Awards Calendar Yearbook is a mini-sized calendar, with important dates in wrestling history and drawings of TU's picks for wrestler of the year, tag team of the year, and so on. \$2 will get you a copy from Brian Tramel, 1806 Self Cir. #B, Jonesboro, AR 72401.

-•W.A.W.A.H. is the Women's Amateur Wrestling Association of Howell (PO Box 18, Howell, NJ 07731). It's sort of a clearinghouse of photos, books, and videos of females wrestling, boxing, BAD, S&M, and like topics. \$1 should get the latest price list.

-□ALASKA PRO WRESTLING REPORT (\$1 from Sean P. Ryan, PO Box 84303, Fairbanks, AK 99708-4303): A real short bulletin, which is hardly surprising since the pros don't get up to Alaska too often. Sean has news of an upcoming event, and plans to make a bigger bulletin with sponsorship from others. (S-It)

-□BETWEEN THE ROPES Vol. 1 #10-13 (\$1 from Adam Horowitz, 336 Harbor Dr., Lido Beach, NY 11561): A wrestling bulletin put out on computer with lousy dot-matrix type and cheesy clip art—but once you get past the appearance, it's pretty fun to read. Horowitz and fellow editor Brad Bums are fans of the sport, but they're sort of realistic too, and their discussions of overall things, from matches to promoter's tricks, are informed and informative. Pretty light-hearted but still knowledgeable. (S-10)

-THE CANADIAN WRESTLING REPORT Vol. 5 #6-7 (\$1 from 15 Penrose Ave., Kitchener, ONT, N2A 1E9, CANADA): Like many another wrestling bulletin, this one reports on recent matches and industry happenings. Unlike the others it covers the various wrestling leagues in Canada as well as the States and Japan. #6 also includes a page with a good listing of other newsletters in the field. In #7 there's a bit on "Why Publish?"...where have I seen that before'

-COMBAT SPORTS*GRAM Vol. 1 #17-24 (60¢ from PO Box 651, Grade Sta., New York, NY 10028-0011): Fast-breaking wrestling news in a one-page no-frills format. Mostly it's reports on the winners and losers of various matches, with a bit of industry gossip as well. (S-I)

-FANTASY FEDERATION Vol. 1 #2 (\$3/3 issues from J. Cohen, 50 Shelley Ln., Great Neck, NY 11023): Commentary on the current wrestling scene and predictions for future matches flank the heart of this zine: write-ups and reportage on great wrestling matches that never happened. Invented dialogue, play-by-play action reports and more testify to the popularity of wrestling in today's culture. (S-10)

-□PRO WRESTLING TORCH Vol. IV #61-64 (\$1.25 from Wade Keller, PO Box 201844, Minneapolis, MN 55420): A wrestling bulletin which includes color photo prints of their cover wrestlers with each issue. They also have a good selection of news and analysis of recent events, with readers writing in with ratings and commentary. A very solid effort. (S-8)

-□RINGSIDE REFLECTOR Vol. 3 #29-30 (\$2 from J.D. McKey, Jr., Rte. 2 Box 291, Louisville, MS 39339): Monthly wrestling coverage that concentrates on opinions rather than news. #29 mostly looks back on '89 and the rest of the last decade, evaluating the players and predicting the future. The editor also includes an article on the

role of women in pro wrestling. (S-20)

-□RWRB SUSHI #15-17 (\$1 from Jeff Mullins, PO Box 36189, San Jose, CA 95158): A wrestling bulletin with a rather satirical approach. Jeff publishes predictions, comics, in-jokes and other cute bits along with fairly serious (well, as serious as you can get) reports on matches and wrestlers. An interesting mix. (S-6r)

-TAPE UPDATE Vol. 2 #15-16 (50* from Brian Tramel, 1806 Self Cir. #B, Jonesboro, AR 72401): Brian is into videotapes of pro wrestling and this zine mostly exists to describe additions to his collection and tell you how to get them. However, it's also got plenty of wrestling commentary and opinion. He's also got t-shirts for sale, the latest being one with "Hulk Sucks" prominently displayed. (M-20r)

-WRESTLING OBSERVER NEWSLETTER 1/22/90-3/19/90 (\$5/4 issues from PO Box 1228, Campbell, CA 95009-1228): Dave Meltzer is tightly-paced weekly information sheet on pro wrestling. Meltzer is real good at covering the business end of things, and there's plenty of insider news in every issue. The February 5 issue has some notes on events in Japan, where wrestling brings in a huge amount of money. 2/12 looks at the rumors of Hulk Hogan's possibly impending retirement. 3/19 has the latest on the dangers of steroid use in the field. (S-8r)

-□WRESTLING PERSPECTIVE #1 (\$1 from Paul J. MacArthur & Dave Skolnick, PO Box 401, Camillus, NY 13031-0401): A new entry on the wrestling bulletin scene which seems to be taking a more

□WRESTLING STYLE Vol. 1 #38-41 (\$3/month from PO Box 711, Lanham, MD 207093-0711): Co-edited by Jim Dough and Joe DiCarlo, this one comes out weekly in a fancy format that is seriously detracted from by the dot-matrix print. However, there are sparks of greatness within the writing, and their flashy format could be a success if better reproduced. Of interest is the sorting of news by promotion, with logos, and their weekly awards, as well as the regular gossip coverage. (S-6)

□WRESTLING THEN & NOW #1-2 (\$1.25 from Evan Ginzburg, PO Box 471, Oakland Gardens Sta., Flushing, NY 11364): A new entry on the wrestling bulletin scene from someone who has been writing for the bulletins for a decade. Evan has a few distinctive

features, one being profiles of readers and writers, the other being a "Time Machine" column that looks back to some matches in the past. There's also the usual gossip and card reports. (S-8)

-□MAXWELL MADD AND HIS WRESTLING WOMEN #1 (\$2.75 from Outside Comics, PO Box 533401, Orlando, FL 32853): Madd is an annoying cuss of a klutz, and the wrestling women are well-stacked young ladies who can throw a bad guy across the room without working up a sweat. Unfortunately the story is leading up to having them battle vampires and zombies, who may not be such a pushover. Visual T&A with some plot. (S-28)

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-ALASKA PRO WRESTLING REPORT Vol. 2 #2 (50\* (?) from Sean P. Ryan, PO Box 84303, Fairbanks, AK 99708-4303): A real small wrestling bulletin that pares down an arena report about the WWF coming to Alaska to a single page. Sean gives a straightforward report of the various matches, and apologizes for his tardiness in sending the zine. (S-3t)

-BETWEEN THE ROPES #16 (\$1 from Adam Horowitz, 336 Harbor Dr., Lido Beach, NY 11561): A relatively small wrestling bulletin which manages some high points nonetheless. In what may turn out to be a controversial move, #16 adds a regular column by "The Juicer", one of the few people I've seen willing to admit liking lots of blood in the ri ng. (S-8)

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- Pro Wrestling's Hottest Weekly", this is a relatively new entrant on the wrestling bulletin scene. Fortunately, they're already pretty distinctive, thanks to concentrating on essays and

-TAPE UPDATE #19-20 (50« from 1806 Self Cir. #8, Jonesboro, AR 72401): A wrestling zine which revolves around Bnan Trame s extensive collection of wrestling videotapes, which he catalogs and offers for sale. There are also bizarre bite of inside humor, letters from other wrestling folks, and the occasional sarcastic wresfong t-shirt to cope with. Not for the newcomer to the field. #20 is a double issue costing \$1, which announces plans to continue evolving towards a full-fled ged wrestling bulletin.(M-20r)

□WRESTLING CHATTERBOX #2-3 (\$2 from Georgiann Mak-



ropoulos, 23-44 30th Dr., Astoria, NY 11102 ): A new wrestling bulletin which pays more attention to fan clubs and 900- hot lines than the others that I've seen. A bunch of people are writing bits and pieces of live action reports, gossip columns and the like, including a couple SBSyW A bit haphazard in toe layout but full of info.

-WRESTLING STYLE Vol. 1 #49 (\$3/4 issues from PO Box 711, Lanham, MD 20703-0711): Having received only one issue of this weekly in the past two months, I have to wonder whether it's still going, but maybe they just dropped me from the list. WS is a flashy graphic wrestling zine that does pretty well within the limitations of dot-matrix print. Mostly they pass on the top headlines from each wrestling promotion, headlined by that promotion's logo. They also feature a reader's forum and the occasional photo. (S-8)

-MAXWELL MADD AND HIS WRESTLING WOMEN! #2 (\$2.75 from Outside Comics. PO Box 533401, Orlando, FL 32853): Max is a sort of bumbling goofball, the wrestling women are four busty babes in outrageous costumes who don't drop their professional personae off the mat, and their opponent in this issue is none other than Dracula himself. Lots of catfighting, a couple of stake-drivings, a strange inheritance and the setup for lots more wrestling stories here. Very good artwork in the service of a rather silly concept.

-CASSETTE WRESTLING NEWS #32-34 (\$3 from PO Box 765, Boonville, IN 47601): A more or less monthly pro wrestling bulletin done on cassette, featuring a mix of news and commentary. #32 spotlights an interview with Jerry "The King" Lawler, including some rather intemperate comments about wrestling critics in general. #34 leads off with discussion of whether it's time for the NWA to start bringing some new talent in to take the title. Unfortunately, the recording quality on these is abysmal; even with the volume all the way up, there are parts I can't make out. (T/MG)

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Factsheet Five #38, October 1990

- BUMP!

WEEKLY Vol. 1 #10 (\$1.50 from 6964 W. 84th St., Minneapolis, MN 55438): An attractive weekly newsletter from the wrestling world, with a well-designed format for getting the news across. They cover all the top stories, like Jesse Ventura's career change (in #10) and find room for plenty of gossip and some analysis as well. (L-6/MG)

-COMBAT SPORTS #122 (\$12/6 issues from PO Box 651, Grade Sta., New York, NY 10028-0011): Michael O'Hara opens this issue with an editorial considering the coming changes, with both the NWA and the WWF needing to find new flagship wrestlers to stay viable promotions. There's news from such unlikely wrestling locales as England and New Zealand. They also print schedules for the top wrestlers and news of the various rollergame sports. (S-16/MG)

-FANTASY FEDERATION Vol. 1 #6 (\$3/3 issues from Jeff Cohen, 50 Shelley Ln., Great Neck, NY 11023): Bored with current pro wrestling? Think you could book better matches? Here's your chance. Jeff publishes this as a place for fictional accounts of wrestling matches featuring real wrestlers and managers, and invites others to contribute. All the excitement with even less of the reality.

-□THE INDEPENDENT WRESTLING NEWSLETTER May 1990 (\$2 from Michael Rush, 19 Norton Dr. #1, Norwood, MA 02062): A wrestling bulletin that concentrates on the smaller independent circuits and promotions. The May issue opens with a lengthy feature on Northeast Championship Wrestling, based in Connecticut. Later there is general news and gossip from all over. IWN seems to take the sport more seriously than some others in the field. (S-8/MG)

-RWRB SUSHI #24-26 (\$1 from Jeff Mullins, PO Box 36189, San Jose, CA 95158): This one is sort of the Don Rickies of the wrestling bulletin scene. It's full of strange and obscure humor, sometimes seeming to target particular fans, other times so weird I have no idea what's going on. There is semi-serious discussion of important issues (like the Missy Hyatt-Eddie Gilbert breakup in #25) as well. (S-8/MG)

-□VIVA LA LUCHA #1-3 (\$9/3 issues from Kurt Brown, PO Box 9401, Brea, CA 92662): Lucha Libre is the Mexican style of wrestling which is quite distinct from that used in the major US promotions, and this may be the only US zine covering such matches. They started out mainly with coverage from Tijuana, but with the disappearance of the state Athletic Commission there are more such matches in places like Pico Rivera, up by LA. Full of photos, results, gossip and explanations for the terminally confused. (S-28/MG)

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Factsheet Five #39, December 1990

-□THE PILEDRTVER #32 (75* from J.D. Woodall, 1707 Alabama, Big Spring, TX 79720): A wrestling fanzine from a state where wrestling really doesn't get that much live action. Thus the annual NWA stop in Lubbock is the big news in this issue, with notes and descriptions from all the matches. There are also match reports from Florida and Arizona, notes on other zines, and some opinion pieces.

-□SUPERPLEX SURVEY #1 (\$2.00 sample from Aaron Goff, 3049 Pillsbury, Minneapolis, MN 55408): A new publication from the ranks of pro-wrestling fans. Each issue contains reader/fan surveys and results (this issue's subject: the AW A) and any reader participation. Included in the premiere issue are an interview with Billy Anderson, and notes on the NWA show in NY. (S-10/CG)

-CASSETTE WRESTLING NEWS #41 (\$3 from PO Box 765, Boonville, IN 47601): A steady and enjoyable wrestling bulletin on tape. Jeff Osborne does a good job of keeping things light while still getting into some serious business. This issue has an interview with Eddie Gilbert, who proves to be articulate and interesting, and an invitation to submit wrestling poetry on tape for future versions. (T/MG)_

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Factsheet Five #40, February 1991

-MAIN EVENT Dec. 1990-Jan. 1991 (\$1 from Slammers Wrestling Gym, PO Box 1602, Studio City, CA 91614): A newsletter for the wrestler who dreams of stepping into the squared circle himself. The folks at Slammers will be happy to train the right people, and sell the rest t-shirts and license plate frames. (L-2/ MG)

-TU RASSLIN RIOT #4-5 (\$3/4 issues from Brian Tramel, 1806 Self Cir. #B, Jonesboro, AR 72401): A mini-sized wrestling zine that's getting pretty fat. Brian is also managing to drag other editors in; Dave Meltzer and Evan Ginzburg both have pieces in #4. There are offensive columnists, drawings of wrestlers suitable for t-shirts, match reporting, silly gossip, and real news, all mixed up together. A great value. #5 has more on Brian's own career in the ring. (M-36r/MG)

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Factsheet Five #41, March 1991

-□PORTLAND WRESTLING REVIEW #1 (\$1 from PO Box 921, Duvall, WA 98019): A new wrestling sheet from Cyncy Biderbost,

a longtime Northwest wrestling fan. In the introductory issue, she writes of her love for the sport and what makes wrestling in Portland special. There's also a few pages of match results. (S-4t/MG)

THE BEST OF CASSETTE WRESTLING NEWS #1 (\$6 from Jeff Osborne, 3420 New Harmony Rd., Evansville, IN 47720): A collection of material from the past couple of years of this audio wrestling bulletin. It includes interviews with wrestlers (check out the interplay between Jerry Lawler and Brian Tramel), matches from a dream meet, and more. Sound quality is my only complaint with this series; it's clear, but the recording level is extremely low, so make sure your amp is good. (T/MG) _

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Factsheet Five #42, May 1991

-BATON ROUGE/NEW ORLEANS WRESTLING CLUB NEWS-
LETTER Winter 1990-Mardi Gras 1991 (\$2 (?) from John T. Martin, 840 Hearthstone Dr., Baton Rouge, LA 70806): This wrestling zine is for doers, rather than ringside fans. They cover both mainstream amateur wrestling and gay wrestling (a facet of the sport I hadn't realized existed, but it makes sense when you think about it). Lots of photos and contact addresses here, and not just in Louisiana.

-MAT MARKETPLACE #2-3 (\$2 from PO Box 2371, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130): A zine for wrestling fans who are into wrestling collectibles. They run listings for free (on a space-available basis) and feature articles about the history of the sport and various things one might pick up to remember it by. Very well produced. #3 spotlights the various series of wrestling trading cards. (S-IOt/MG)

-PRO WRESTLING SUSHI #32 (\$1.50 sample copy from Jeff Mullins, POBox 36189, San Jose, CA 95158): Entertaining pro wrestling humor and news for those in the know. Always more than a few laughs inside poking fun at everything from the sport to fellow editors and politicians. This issue decides that the four infamous policemen in Los Angeles will appear in a guest shot in the next Wrestlemania, writes a letter to Vince McMahon, and somberly lists the victims of the Gulf war by state. (S-IOr/CG)

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Factsheet Five #43, June 1991

-□A STREAM OF SEMI-CONSCIOUSNESS #1 (\$3 CASH from

Vic Stanley, PO Box 176, Lafayette, IN 47902-0176): This one was somewhat of a sleeper, appearing in a no-frills, no-graphics format. But Vic's writing is an instant winner. Coming out of the wrestling sheets, he expands his view here to all of trash culture, starting with an essay on his own sordid adolescence (spent in part growing up in strip joints). He writes of the subversive anti-Christian nature of Star Trek, reveals a bunch of extremely unlikely movie sequels, and blasts the hosts of his least favorite talk shows. Also included in this issue is the first installment of "Mayberry Peaks", combining Andy Griffith with David Lynch. (S-28/MG)

-ROD'S REFLECTOR #0-4(\$1 from Rodney Leighton, RR #3, Pugwash, NS B0K1L0, CANADA): A sheet of wrestling gossip and news, but with a twist—it's centered in the world of wrestling zines ("sheets") rather than that of the matches themselves. Rodney looks to be conducting a forum on the shape of wrestling fandom, which could shape up to be pretty fun. #1 includes Brian Tramel and Vic Stanley. (S-10/MG)

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Factsheet Five #44, August 1991

-ROD'S REFLECTOR #5-10 & Vol. 2 #1 (\$1.50 from Rodney Leighton, RR #3, Pugwash, NS, B0K1L0 CANADA): Musings from Rod, a very busy man in the small press. A little wrestling, a little humor, a little planning for the future and a little hope for the procurement of employment soon. Friend Vic Stanley offers some editorials on his busy week, why you should read WRESTLING PERSPECTIVE and the second installment of theorizing over wrestling as a "real sport," Brian Tramel talks about publishing your own wrestling zine, Marilyn Rundle talks about women wrestling fans, an essay summing up Rod's small press involvement to date, and plans for the REFLECTOR yearbook and hopes to publish photos of some, "known" names in the small press, perhaps as a contest. I wonder if anyone would guess what MG looks like... (S-9/CGJ) \_